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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in the above-captioned application national stage application for PCT/EP00/00120. Please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims

There are two claim numbers 13 in the application. Please cancel the second such claim 13.

Please amend claims 13 and 14 as shown in the attached pages. A marked version/of the claim set showing the changes made is also attached.

Please add new claims 15 and 16 as shown in the attached page.

## Remarks

By way of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-16 are pending. The second claim 13 has been canceled and rewritten as new claim 16. Claims 13 and 14 have been amended to put the claims in a format appropriate for U.S. prosecution. Claims